At-p. 25, Table 5, left column, please delete "sepharose" and insert therefor -- Sepharose<sup>TM</sup>--.

At p. 25, Table 6, left column, please delete "sepharose" and insert therefor -- Sepharose<sup>TM</sup>--.

After p. 26, please substitute new pages 27-36, which contain the substitute sequence listing for the subject invention.

Please cancel the computer readable copy of the sequence listing, and enter the amended computer readable copy of the sequence listing submitted herewith.

## In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 10-16, 22 and 23 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter encompassed therein.

## Please amend the following claims:

Claim 1. (Amended) A method for preparing correctly folded and disulfide bond linked

interferon-α by expression in E. coli, comprising the steps of:

expressing interferon-α in E. coli [comprising] transformed with a vector

[in which] comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding the signal [sequence] peptide [of the gene]

12 Claim 21. (Amended) The vector of claim 17, wherein said DNA molecule coding for 1 interferon-α [consists essentially of] comprises the sequence: TGT GAT CTG CCT CAA ACC CAC AGC CTG GGT AGC AGG AGG ACC 1 TTG ATG CTC CTG GCA CAG ATG AGG AGA ATC TCT CTT TTC TCC 2 TGC TTG AAG GAC AGA CGT GAC TTT GGA TTT CCC CAG GAG GAG TTT GGC AAC CAG TTC CAA AAG GCT GAA ACC ATC CCT GTC CTC CAT GAG ATG ATC CAG CAG ATC TTC AAT CTC TTC AGC ACA AAG GAC TCA TCT GCT GCT TGG GAT GAG ACC CTC CTA GAC AAA TTC TAC ACT GAA CTC TAG CAG CAG CTG AAT GAC CTG GAA GCC TGT GTG ATA CAG GGG GTG &GG GTG ACA GAG ACT CCC CTG ATG AAG 8 GAG GAC TCC ATT CTG GCT GTG AGG AAA TAC TTC CAA AGA ATC ACT CTC TAT CTG AAA GAG AAA TAC AGC CCT TGT GCC TGG 10 GAG GTT GTC AGA GCA GAA AT& ATG AGA TCT TTT TCT TTG TCA 11 ACA AAC TTG CAA GAA AGT TTA AGA AGT AAG GAA (SEQ ID NO:6) 12 or a sequence encoding interferon-α which [is] has more than about 70% [homologous] sequence 1 identity with this sequence [and said sequence which is said homologous codes for interferon- α]. 2

## Please add the following claim:

1 --Claim 24. (Added) The vector of claim 17, wherein said DNA molecule coding for 2 interferon-α comprises the sequence:

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GAATTCGAGATTATCGTCACTGCAATGCTTCGCAATATGGCGCAAAATGACCAACAG CGGTTGATTGATCAGGTAGAGGGGGGCGCTGTACGAGGTAAAGCCCGATGCCAGCATT CCTGACGACGATACGGAGCTGCTGCGCGATTACGTAAAGAAGTTATTGAAGCATCCT CGTCAGTAÀAAAGTTAATCTTTTCAACAGCTGTCATAAAGTTGTCACGGCCGAGACT TATAGTCGCTTTGTTTTTATTTTTTAATGTATTTGCTCGAGAGGTTGAGGTGATTTT ATG AAA AAG AAT ATC GCA TTT CTT CTT GCA TCT ATG TTC GTT TTT TCT ATT\GCT ACA AAT CCC TAT GCA TGT GAT CTG CCT CAA ACC CAC AGC OTG GGT AGC AGG AGC TTG ATG CTC CTG GCA CAG ATG AGG AGA ATC TCT CTT TTC TCC TGC TTG AAG GAC AGA CGT GAC TTT GGA\TTT CCC CAG GAG GAG TTT GGC AAC CAG TTC CAA AAG GCT GAA ACC ATC CCT GTC CTC CAT GAG ATG ATC CAG CAG ATC TTC AAT CTC TTC AGC ACA AAG GAC TCA TCT GCT GCT TGG GAT GAG ACC CTC\CTA GAC AAA TTC TAC ACT GAA CTC TAC CAG CAG CTG AAT GAC &TG GAA GCC TGT GTG ATA CAG GGG GTG GGG GTG ACA GAG ACT CCC CTG ATG AAG GAG GAC TCC ATT CTG GCT GTG AGG AAA TAC TTC CAA AGA ATC ACT CTC TAT CTG AAA GAG AAG AAA TAC AGC CCT TGT GCC TGG GAG GTT GTC AGA GCA GAA ATC ATG AGA TCT TTT TCT TTG TCA ACA AAC TTG CAA GAA AGT TTA AGA AGT AAG GAA TGATAACGATCGTAACTGCA (SEQ ID NO: 7)

or a sequence encoding interferon-α which has more than about 70% sequence identity with

this sequence.--